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NOTES IMPROVEMENTS IN PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

MODERN HOSPITALS TREAT MENTAL PATIENTS -- Wola Ludu, No 19, 19 Jan 50

There are three psychiatric hospitals in Warsaw Wojewodztwo which are considered the best in Poland, perhaps the best in Central Europe. One of these hospitals is located in Gostyn. This hospital treats around 700 patients. Occupational therapy is used for curing mental ills.

Under close supervision, the patients work in the garden, kitchen, and in the large blacksmith shop, or as clerks in the hospital office and library. Some even participate in theatrical performances at the hospital.

The Gostyn hospital also uses electronarcosis and electric-shock treatments on patients whose illness is in the advanced stages. The number of electric-shock treatments administered to a patient varies from 10 to 30.

WROCLAW BATTLES MOSQUITOES -- Slowo Polskie, No 33, 2 Feb 50

The manager of the Health Department presented a report to the MRN (Municipal People's Council) concerning the problem of overcoming mosquitoes in the Wroclaw area. The report shows that at the moment there is no danger of a malaria epidemic.

The Wroclaw Scientific Society, notified the MRN that it has appointed a special commission, headed by Professor Noskiewicz, to be in charge of research on Wroclaw mosquitoes and to determine an improved method for exterminating them. The MRN has announced a special award for the discovery of such a method. The amount of the award will be established by the presidium of the MRN.

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CHILDREN TO GET MORE COD-LIVER OIL -- Zycie Olsztynskie, No 21, 21 Jan 50

The Ministry of Health's program against rickets will be widely extended in 1950. The program formerly covered children under the care of institutions, nurseries, Mother and Child Homes, etc. However, in 1950 the Ministry of Health has turned special attention to children of miners, allotting the largest amount of cod-liver oil to Slask Wojewodztwo.

The ministry has allotted about 60 million cod-liver oil capsules (one capsule is equivalent to one teaspoonful of cod-liver oil), as well as 110 tons of liquid cod-liver oil for children $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 years old. In addition, larger quantities of concentrated vitamin D will be supplied to children in agricultural producers' cooperatives. The Ministry of Health has also allotted cod-liver oil for 880,000 children in the preschool and school-age groups.

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